

United States Agency for International Development West Bank and Gaza Mission

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To all USAID Contractors and Grantees:

Dear Implementing Partners:

The security advisory issued on July 22nd which ordered expatriate contract personnel not to travel into Gaza and strongly encouraged expatriate staff of grantees not to travel into Gaza remains in effect. Should you have information regarding a significant improvement in the security situation in Gaza, please forward this onto Margot Ellis or Mark Herzberg so that they can share this with the Embassy's Emergency Action Committee.

There is no change in USAID's policy with respect to travel to the West Bank. Decisions about staff travel there are to be made by each implementing partner exercising its corporate discretion.

Sincerely,

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